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Rumors of fight spur alert, student absences at RCHS

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

River City High School drew extra police protection and experienced heavy student absenteeism on Friday as rumors circulated that a gang fight – or even a shooting – was imminent. But the campus experienced no violence, reports Principal Mort Geivett.

"We just had a situation that started from rumors that some kids were going to fight at lunch," said Geivett. "Then the rumors became a story that other people were going to come from other places to our campus to fight, and then it was going to be a drive-by shooting on campus. I just contacted police and told them I'd rather err on the safe side. If we were to have a fight situation, I would be there, district staff would be there, and the police would be there."

Geivett said the West Sacramento Police Department provided three uniformed officers, and Lt. Dave Farmer – a member of the school board as well as an officer – dropped by during the morning.

"A couple of other patrol cars drove by periodically," he added. "We had some parents come by too, concerned that they weren't notified of the possibility of a fight or a drive-by. I invited them to help us out as extra eyes and ears on campus. But nothing happened – not a single thing happened."

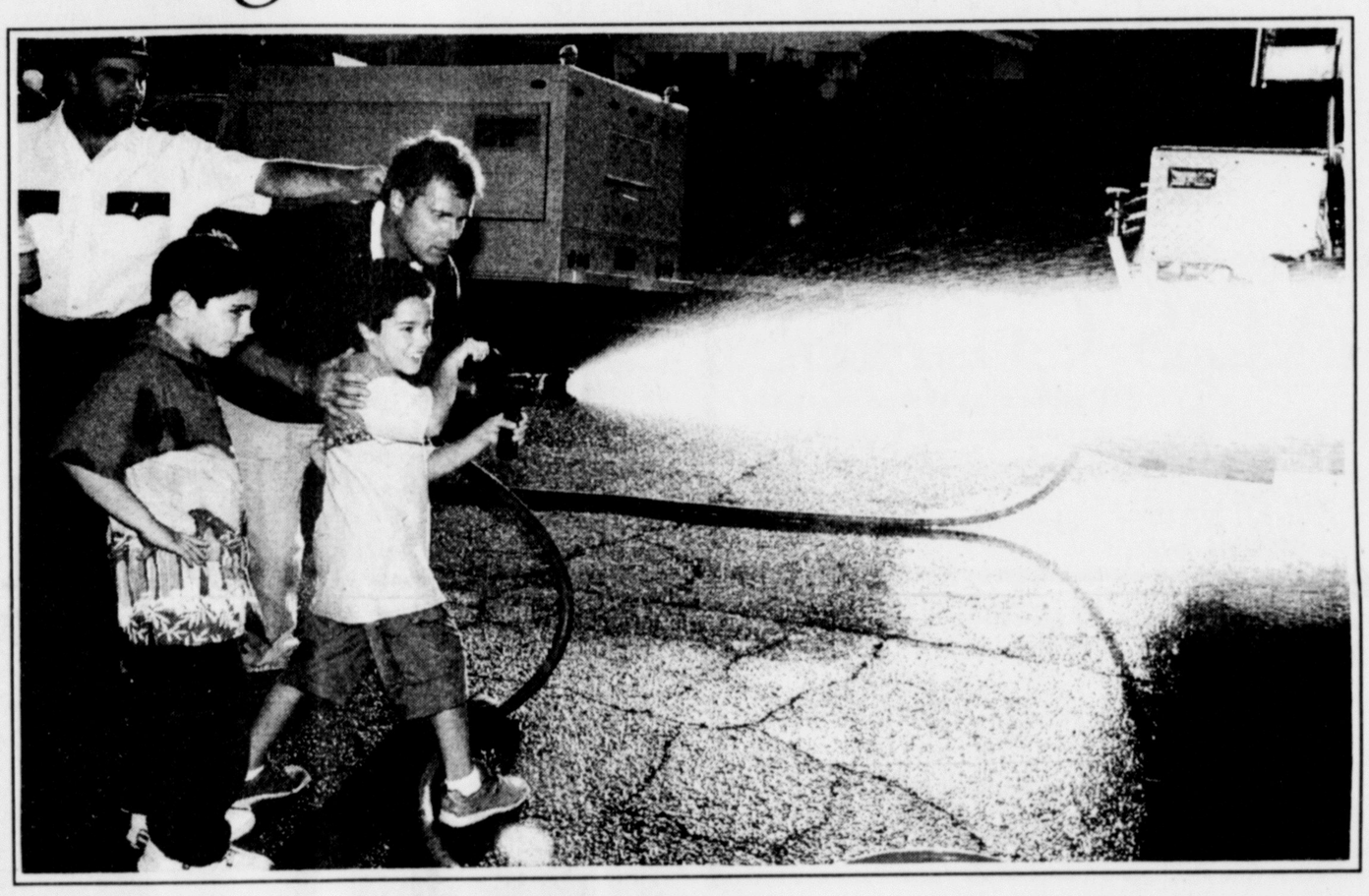
Gievett explained that the rumors swelled from "hard looks" and hostile comments made between a couple of groups of students.

One community member told the News-Ledger that the threat of a fight or shooting grew from last week's incident in which several hundred people came close to a riot after a "football" party at a local community room. But Geivett discounted that idea.

"I had a lot of kids in my office, asking them what would be going on, and none of them mentioned that incident," he said, saying the hostility seemed to exist solely between a couple of factions on campus. "The kind of language they used was 'he's mad-dogging me,' or 'every time I walk by, he says something to me or pops off,' and so forth. Then other kids felt they had to stand up for their 'homeboys,' or friends."

Geivett said that about 18 percent of the student body stayed home Friday, presumably in response to the rumors. Normal absentee rate for the school is about seven or eight percent. With a student body of roughly 1,700 youths, the percentages translate into roughly 175 students who may have stayed home out of fear of violence.

Firefighter for a moment



West Sacramento Firefighter KEVIN KINSELLA, in 'street clothes,' helps a young visitor with a fire hose at last week's department open house at the 15th Street station. Other activities for visitors included blood pressure checks and face-painting and other activities for kids. *Photo by Barry Blacklaw*

Wanted man & woman caught in Sacramento

A pair of crime suspects who apparently missed capture at a West Capitol Ave. motel Sept. 29 have been found in Sacramento.

Dorothy York was accused of killing a 56-year old man in Fairfield following a dispute last month. The Yolo County Narcotics Enforcement Team stated that she is believed to have shot him once in the abdomen, and then placed a pillow over his chest and shot him two more times. Officers believe she and boyfriend Brian Gordon – himself wanted for questioning in an Arizona double-homicide case as well as on fraud and bur-

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TWO FOR PUBLIC OFFICE:

RUSTY MENDEZ, running for WUSD's school board

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

Rusty Mendez, candidate for school board in West Sacramento, has long been a fixture at local civic events, often videotaping or photographing the proceedings. A West Sacramento resident since she was four, Rusty works as a public relations consultant.

"I was born in Columbus, Ohio," she reports. "I lived in San Jose, then moved to West Sacramento when I was four and attended Bryte School when I was four. Mary Coll was my first teacher and my mentor. Then I went to (former schools) Washington Elementary School and then Washington High, where I was in the Mexican-American Youth Association, volleyball, woodshop – no honor stuff, just involvement."

She has also ttended a num-

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RUSTY MENDEZ

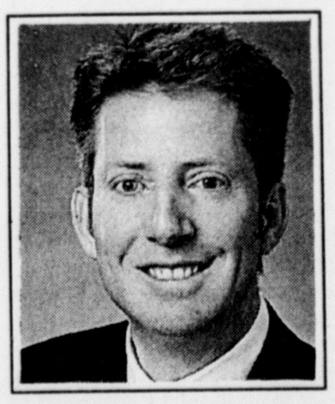
MARK JOHANNESSEN, candidate for city council

By Steve Marschke
News-Ledger Editor

Mark Johannessen is a newcomer to West Sacramento, but he has watched the city, and campaigned door-to-door, gaining what he feels is a pretty good education on where the city is trying to go.

"What attracted me here were the housing prices, and I felt I saw a community here," said Johannessen. "You really got the feeling that it was apart and separate from the Sacramento area. You don't get that feeling in Fair Oaks or Sacramento."

Johannessen's move to West Sacramento came about a year ago, in the form of a small jump from Sacramento, where he had been since 1990. But his life often takes him on much farther leaps. The 46-year old single father and city council candidate has practiced law and accounting, and works on international business projects. He has worked in Amsterdam and Tokyo – he speaks Dutch and Japanese, as well as having "some ability" in German and Brazilian Portuguese – and is now working on an infrastructure project in Eastern Europe.



MARK JOHANNESSEN

"I spend about half my time doing domestic law here in the U.S. – a lot of it is family law," said Johannessen. "The balance of the time includes work on environmental projects, such as one I've got now creating a clean-water delivery system and wastewater treatment plant to serve 300,000 people near the border of Bulgaria and Turkey. I'm a consultant, helping put together partnerships. This project is going to, for the first time, bring clean water to a large region of Bulgaria, and also provide a method of sewage disposal other than dropping it into a river."

If his last name seems familiar, it's because Johannessen is the son of State Senator Maurice K. Johannessen of Redding, a prominent Republican. The younger Johannessen – although he has consulted with his father on issues such as foreign trade in California – is a Democrat.

Does West Sacramento's Johannessen, too, have his eye on higher office?

"Right now, it looks like there are two terms of work I can do (on the city council)," he responds. "I'm really not thinking past that. I was once a caucus leader for (presidential candidate) Bill Bradley, so I got a taste of politics through that. My father is a Republican, and I'm a Democrat, so we basically move in different political circles."

The Southport resident said he was drawn into local politics through news about the Port of Sacramento and its battle with some local citizens concerned about its develop-

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Campaign season policies

The News-Ledger typically provides a forum for a wide variety of political viewpoints during campaign season.

This newspaper has learned the hard way, however, that some people will use "last-minute" negative attacks to try to win an election by preventing an opponent from having a chance to fairly respond.

It is our desire that the News-Ledger not be a vehicle for such last-minute attacks.

For that reason, it has been a longstanding News-Ledger policy that no advertisement or letter published here in the final issue before an election (in this case, our Oct. 30 issue) may contain a negative comment about any person or issue on the ballot.

The newspaper has also learned that some campaigners will exercise a great deal of verbal creativity in an attempt to circumvent this policy. Therefore, the only way to enforce this policy is very strictly.

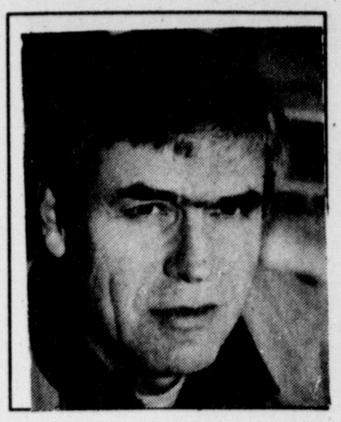
Appropriate critical comments about candidates or ballot measures, which others may respond to, are acceptable in these pages until Oct. 23.

Space for political advertising may be reserved on a first-paid, first-served basis. Requests for page position will be honored -- when possible -- on the same basis.

If you have questions on either policy, please call Editor Steve Marschke at (916) 371-8030.

Facts you might want to know about global warming

My Back Pages



By Daryl Fisher

I recently received a telephone call at the *News-Ledger* from an old friend of mine (I'll call her Denise) and our conversation went a little something like this:

"So, Daryl, what have you been up to lately?"

"Oh, not much. How about you?"

"You know me, busy as usual."

"And how's the husband and the kids?"

"They're fine."

"That's good."

"So, what are you doing right now?"

"You mean this very minute?" I asked.

"Yip, this very minute."

"Well, not much I guess."

"I'll bet you're sitting there at the *News-Ledger* doing absolutely nothing, aren't you?"

"Well, pretty much nothing," I admitted. "Why?"

"Because I have this little favor I want to ask you."

"What kind of little favor?" I asked with some hesitation, having learned from past experiences that doing a favor (no matter what the size) for Denise usually requires that one actually has to get up off his or her butt and do some kind of real work.

"You know I went back college to finish my degree, right?" she asked me.

"Yeah."

"Well, I've only got one more class to go before I can graduate, and the professor wants us to write a 15-page paper on global warming of all things, and it's going to be worth about half our grade. Anyway, you know how busy I always am and I just need someone to kinda help me jump start the project, if you know what I mean. You know, do a little research and maybe suggest a couple of ideas for the first paragraph or two."

"But I don't know anything about global warming," I said.

"Then you need to start learning! It's potentially a very serious problem that may end up affecting the lives of every man, woman, and child on the face of the earth. Now you don't want to be completely ignorant about such an important subject, do you?"

"Well, I guess not."

"Good. So I tell you what, you go ahead and get started, and I'll get back to you in a few days and see how you're doing, okay? And I really appreciate this. Thanks a lot! Talk to you soon. Bye."

The next evening, I stopped by the Turner Library on the way home from the *News-Ledger* and dutifully checked out three or four books with catchy little titles like, "Environmental Overkill -- Whatever Happened to Common Sense?", "Fire and Ice -- the Greenhouse Effect", "Ozone Depletion and Nuclear Winter", and "The End of Nature," which I decided to start thumbing through first.

"What are you reading, Dad?" my twenty-something daughter asked me.

"Just a book on global warming," I answered.

"Why are you doing that?"

"Don't ask."

"Is it any good?"

"It's actually pretty scary," I admitted. "Just listen to some of this stuff. It says here that in just the United States alone, our cars, factories, utilities and appliances are pumping six billion tons of carbon dioxide and other heat-trapping greenhouse gases into the environment each year. And did you know that the 1980s and 1990s were the two hottest decades in recorded history? And that scientists throughout the world think humanity may have finally stepped across a threshold that is going to screw up the earth's climate forever? And that with global temperatures predicted to rise another three to nine degrees over the coming decades, the withering heat will threaten our crops, destroy vast tracts of forests, hike the sea level, kill wildlife trapped in fast-warming preserves and force man to endure heat waves heretofore unknown except in scorching deserts?"

"Wow," said my daughter, "that is pretty scary."

"And it's not just because everyone is burning too many fossil fuels, either," I continued. "Just listen to this, and I quote: `Mankind owns 1.2 billion head of cattle, not to mention huge numbers of camels, horses, pigs, sheep, and goats, and together they belch about 73 million metric tons of methane gas into the air each year, a 435 percent increase in the last century."

"Animals belch?" asked my daughter, wrinkling up her face in disgust. "Who wants to know that -- it's gross!"

"Now this I really don't believe," I said as I continued to read.

"What?"

"It says here that there are a half-ton of termites for every man, woman, and child on earth and that a single mound of them excretes five or six liters of methane gas single every minute."

"Bugs belch, too?"

"Well," I said, "I think the operative word with termites is excrete."

"Stop it, Dad, I don't want to hear any more!" said my daughter as she turned and hurried out of the room.

A few days later Denise phoned to see how my research for her project was going.

"So," she asked, "have you learned just about everything there is to know about global warming yet?"

"No," I admitted, "but I did manage to thoroughly gross-out my daughter."

Joke of the week: A bum who had obviously seen more than his share of hard times approached a well-dressed gentleman on the street and said, "Hey, Buddy, can you spare two dollars?" The well-dressed gentleman responded, "You're not going to spend it on liquor, are you?" The bum said, "Oh no, sir, I don't drink." The gentleman said, "You're not going to throw it away on fishing gear, are you?" The bum said, "No, sir, I don't fish." The gentleman said, "You wouldn't waste it on bullets for a hunting rifle, would you?" The bum said, "No, sir, I don't hunt." The gentleman asked, "And you wouldn't use it to go out and buy golf balls, would you?" The bum answered, "No, sir, I don't golf."

The gentleman then asked the bum if he would like to come home with him for a good home cooked meal. The bum eagerly accepted and while they were heading towards the gentleman's house the bum's curiosity got the better of him and he asked, "Isn't your wife going to be pretty angry when she sees a guy like me at her front door?"

"Probably," said the gentleman, "but it will be worth it. I want her to see exactly what happens to a man when he doesn't drink, fish, hunt or play golf."

Obituary

Dorothy Bernice Adamo

Dorothy Adamo passed away on October 8, 2002 at the age of 75 after an extended illness.

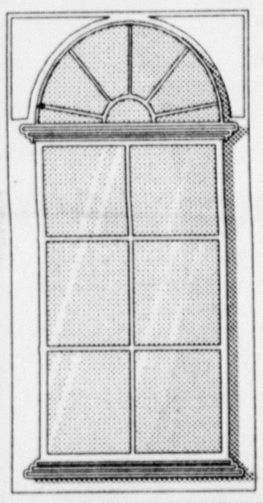
Mrs. Adamo was born on July 30, 1927 in New York. She was a graduate of California State University, Sacramento, with a Bachelor of Science degree in human resources and a minor in labor relations. She was a very active West Sacramento resident for almost 30 years and helped in its formation from an unincorporated area to an incorporated city. After that historic campaign was finished, she helped form the Coalition for City Improvement for the specific purpose of keeping the community focused on building a quality city. She worked tirelessly in the community and was the founding president of the West Sacramento Founders' Day Parade, a founding officer of the local President's Club, a candidate for city council, a active Adopt-A-School/Class Program presenter, and was appointed to the Hazardous Materials Commission and the Yolo Grand Jury. She was also the Chairperson of the City Commission on Aging.

Mrs. Adamo is survived by her sons, Tom Adamo of West Sacramento, and Ben Adamo of Woodland; granddaughters Barbara McHugh of Rochester, NY., and Jennifer Atkins of Portola; great-grandsons Ryan Cone and Tyler Atkins; and her siblings, sister Jacqueline Killough, and brothers Larry Edwards, Roger Edwards, and Wade Edwards. She was preceded in death by her brother, Richard Edwards, and her parents, William Edwards and Mae Creighton) Edwards-DuBour.

A Memorial Service is scheduled for 11 a.m., October 24, 2002 at River of Life Community Church, located at 2885 Davis Road in West Sacramento.

The family requests memorials be directed to Yolo Hospice and St. Jude's Medical Foundation.

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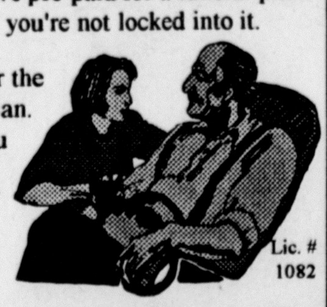
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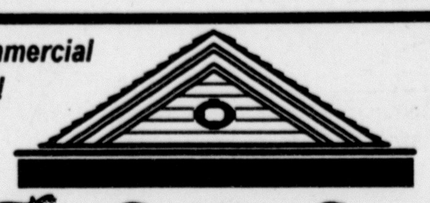




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SPORTS

SPORTS INSIDER

By Rich Novoa

Major League Baseball

The Giants win the Pennant - the Giants win the Pennant! Barry Bonds will finally get his chance to win the World Series ring hes been chasing for last 17 years. The Giants battled with St. Louis in this classic series that was decided by Kenny Loftons running scoring single in the bottom of the ninth in game five to beat the Cards 2-1. The Giants will be going to Disneyland to face the miracle working Angels. This California dreaming series should be fun to watch because it will be the first time two wild-card teams played in the World Series. The Giants last World Series appearance was in 1989 against the Oakland As. The As swept the Giants in four games that was delayed two weeks because of the earthquake!

In the American League the Anaheim Angels are going to the World Series for the first time in their 42-year franchise history. The Angels beat the Twins 13-5 to win the American League Championship Series 4 games to 1. The unlikely hero was Adam Kennedy, who was named the series MVP with his 3 home runs in game 5.

The World Series will open in Anaheim (5 p.m.) on Saturday, October 19th against the G-Men. The series will move to San Francisco for three games starting on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd. This series will go to seven games with the winner of the first game claiming the World Series rings.

NFL Action

The Oakland Raiders (4-1) ran into a wild bunch of Rams in St. Louis led by a rookie quarterback named Marc Bulger. Bulger guided his winless team to a stunning 28-13 win over the previously undefeated Raiders. The Raiders will now head home to host the division leading San Diego Chargers (5-1) next Sunday. The game is not sold out so be prepared for another Blackout in the Sacramento area.

The 49ers (4-1) beat Seattle on Monday night 28-21 to remain in first place in the Western Division, two games ahead of the Arizona Cardinals. The Niners and Cards will meet on October 27th at Candlestick Park.

Jeff Garcia had another good game throwing two touchdown passes to Terrell Owens but the Niners lost two key defensive players to injuries. The big blow was to safety, Zack Bronson, who broke his foot. The 49ers will be searching Tuesday morning for another safety to fill in for the NFLs No. 3 rank defense.

My dog Aztec picked three out four winners last weekend so Ill be calling upon this smart canine to pull me out of my slump once more! Aztec likes Ducks so look for Oregon to beat Arizona State and in the NFL he fell in love with Marc Bulger and the Rams. Take the Rams over Seattle and the Arizona Cardinals to beat up the Cowboys.

Aztec likes to ride on the bus, so on Monday night ride Bettis and the Steelers to their third win of the year!

NBA Action

The Sacramento Kings received some bad news last week with the injury to Mike Bibby. Bibby will be out for 4 to 8 weeks with a stress fracture in his foot. Bibby will join Cleaves and Christie on the bench during this weeks preseason game against New York on Wednesday and in Seattle on Saturday.

See ya next week!

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Raiders take out Highland Scots

By Olivia De Mars

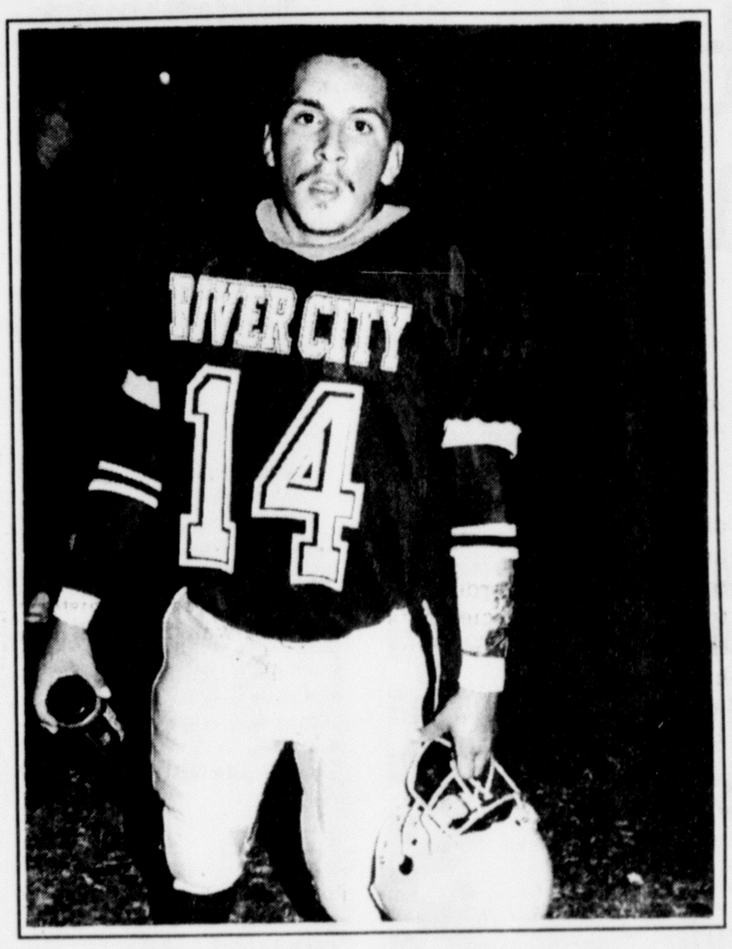
The River City High School Raiders pummeled the Highland Scots last Friday by a score of 38-14.

On River City's opening drive they were forced to punt only to have Highlands march the ball down the field for an early 8-0 lead. On their second drive, however, River City's Justin McAmoil scored to make it 8-6, and after RC's Daniel Reed recovered a Highland's fumble, big runs by Jason De Mars and Mike Fonbuena led to a quarterback sneak by Tony Molina and a 14-8 River City lead. With only seconds remaining in the first half, De Mars scored and the Raiders increased their lead to 20-8.

In the second half, outstanding running by Ricky Bandu, De Mars, and Justin Hunt led to a touchdown pass from Molina to Fonbuena and a 26-8 River City lead. A six-yard scamper by De Mars and one final touchdown as the clock ran down in the fourth quarter completed the River City scoring, and although Highlands managed to get six more points, they were not enough to influence the final outcome of the game.

"We played well on both sides of the ball," said River City Head Coach, Brian Watkins, "and I'm very happy with the way our players performed."

The River City Raiders next game will be held at Center High School this coming Friday night.



RCHS varsity quarterback TONY MOLINA

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1. Entering 2002, there were three pairs of teammates in baseball history who hit 45 or more homers each in the same season. Who are they?
2. Who was the first reliever to record four consecutive 40-save seasons?
3. In the past five years, which college football team had more trips to the SEC Championship Game — Florida or Tennessee?
4. When was the last time before 2002 that the Detroit Pistons made it past the first round of the playoffs?
5. When was the last time before 2002 that the Carolina Hurricanes franchise won a playoff series?
6. Who was the last goalie to record a shutout for the U.S. team in World Cup action before Brad Friedel did it in 2002?
7. True or false: Muhammad Ali once had a heavyweight title defense in Ohio.

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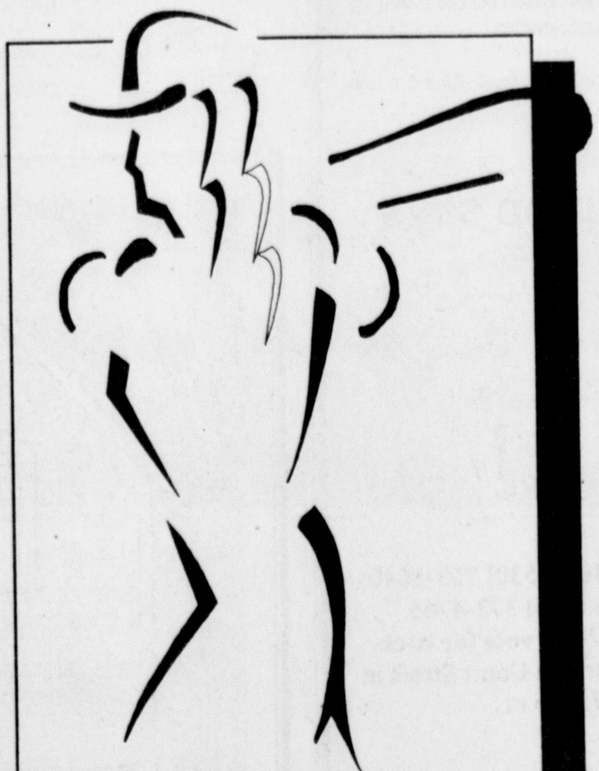
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ment plans.

"Really, what got me going here was the port," he stated. "With my international background, I always felt the port was a main access point for international trade. I saw this movement to shut it down, and I felt it just would not be good for the region."

Not surprisingly, he opposes Measure L, which seeks to restrict future industrial development at the port and in Southport.

"I don't like the idea of rezoning by ballot. If there's a development issue, that's an issue belonging to the city council, and if you're not happy with the council, you've got your vote. I understand the frustration that led to Measure L. The best thing to do at this point is to do a complete master plan of the port, and we need to get the community involved in that."

Johannessen calls the "J" and "K" ballot measures, asking voters' approval to raise the local sales tax and spend it on roads, a library and recreational programs, "a good idea."

"If the business community supports it, and they pay 80 percent of it, I say let's go for it," he said. We're not going to be at a competitive disadvantage, because it will match the sales tax rate in Sacramento."

Johannessen believes "West Sacramento is quickly growing into a big city – it's on the verge of being 100 times better than Sacramento. We need to take it up a notch as far as who is on the city council. This isn't ten years ago, when there wasn't much of anything happening."

He also perceives a growing frustration, particular in the city's northern neighborhoods, that older neighborhoods are getting left behind while new homes sprout up in Southport.

"Southport will develop no matter what we do. The more department-store types of development we need to bring to a downtown area, so the people of Broderick and Bryte feel they're part of the city. I've confirmed that on my (campaign) walks – people in that part of the area are concerned they're going to be left behind, with crooked sidewalks and that sort of thing. We need to show we have a commitment to Broderick and Bryte by putting new development there – whether it's a teen center or a high school."

"My main focus will be keeping the city together – developing the city as one city, making sure our policies keep neighborhoods together. It gets into the West Capitol (redevelopment) issue, the high school issue, and the port issue. But it all centers on the idea that the city needs to have an idea where it's going and a plan for getting there."

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glary charges – stayed at the Economy Inn in West Sacramento Sept. 29, but after evacuating nearby rooms and performing a search, they found the motel room empty.

Sacramento law enforcement agencies and the FBI learned that Gordon was staying at a Q Street apartment in Sacramento, picking him up Oct. 4. They say Gordon denied his identity and showed a false driver's license and other identification. Later that evening, they found and arrested York.

Gordon was booked in Sacramento County jail and will face federal charges of flight to avoid prosecution, as well as existing warrants and "aiding and abetting."

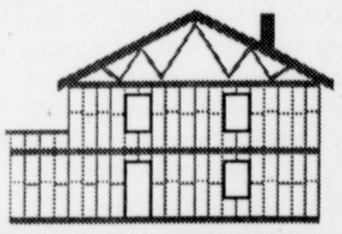
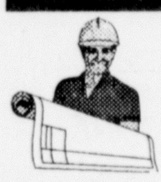
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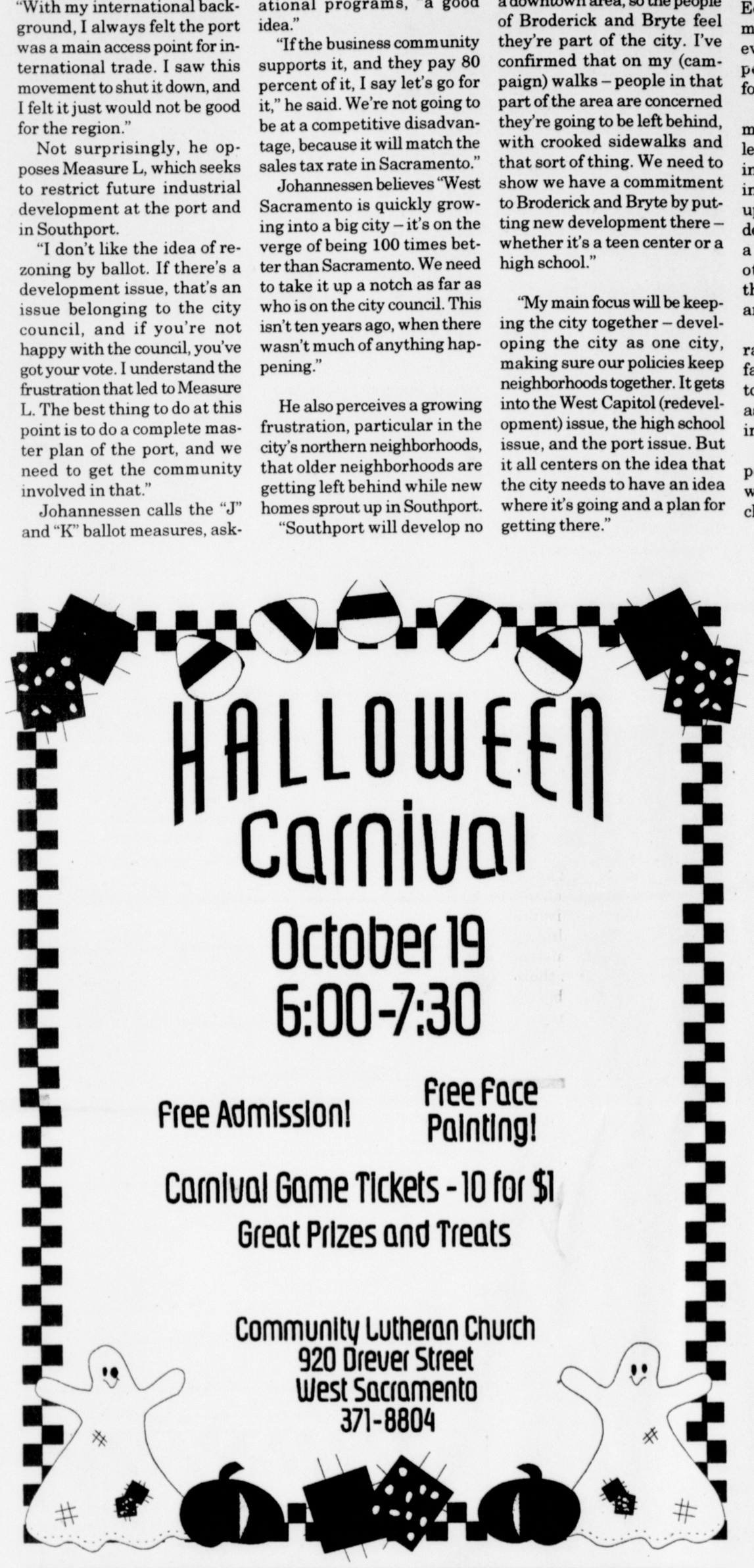

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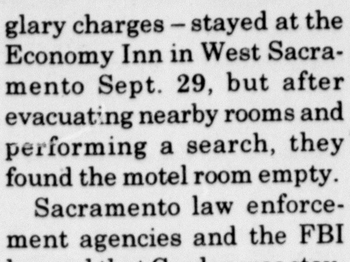
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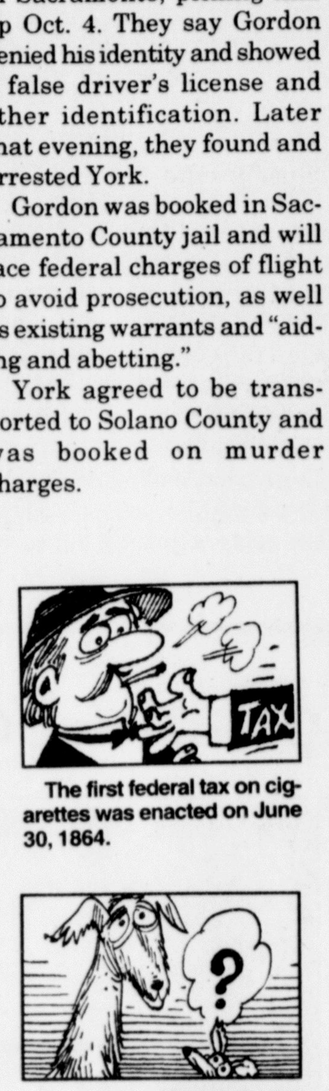

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6:00 p.m.
Zoning Administrator (ZA) Actions
Item #1
None
Regular Agenda
Item #2
BP (Arco) Conditional Use Permit (CUP 02-02)

The applicant is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow construction of a rail loading facility for ethanol delivery to the existing bulk petroleum fuel storage and distribution facility. The property is located at 1700 South River Road (APN #58-270-01) and is zoned WF (Waterfront). A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been filed on the project. OWNER/APPLICANT: BP/Arco, 1601 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691. (RVB)
/s/Stephen M. Patek, Director
Community Development Department

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ber of classes at local community colleges.

Mendez, 45, is a single parent "in a long-term relationship" whose daughter recently graduated from high school. While her daughter was in school, Mendez became active at her campuses.

"I have been in the Westmore Oaks PTA, the Golden State Middle School site council, River City High boosters, and have helped the yearbook class," she reports. I still help with MECHA – the Mexican Movement to help higher education Chicano students. That's where they work to help pull them up by their bootstraps and mentor them. We need that – if you're a majority in this area, and don't have a voting voice, something's wrong with this picture."

Mendez has marched with Jesse Jackson and worked for women's right to choose and against domestic violence. She has also supported farmworkers' rights and programs to help their health and education.

One of Mendez's pet local causes has been a better community-access cable TV system.

"I've always wanted a cable TV production facility here," she said. "I'd like to see local students interning at Channel 13 and (videotaping) city council meetings."

Right now, Mendez would like to see the community work harder to create a teen center for older teens.

"We have a great center, Club West, for middle school students," she said. "I understand Second Mile (a privately-sponsored center for older teens) is coming along, but se need something in the meantime. Kids graduate from Golden State Middle School and have nowhere to go (for a teen center). That's when they get into trouble."

"My other pet peeve has been the sober/drug-free graduation bash for River City High School," she added. Although Capitol Bowl and other private sponsors have set up a program, she'd like to see it developed, made more attractive to teens, and perhaps moved on to campus, in order to help keep kids from drinking and driving on their graduation night.

Mendez has been a frequent visitor – and activist – at school board meetings.

"Now, I watch a lot of it on cable," she said. "I used to go a lot and be vocal, but I don't want to rant and rave about anything if it's not going to change something. If I win election, I would be the first Latina on the board, and that's important to me and to some of the voters."

Mendez has general ideas of how she thinks the school district is doing.

"I like (Superintendent) Greenfeld's open-door policy and outspokenness. I like his facts. He comes from a diverse balanced area. I like (assistant superintendent) Patrick Campbell; he's definitely a politician in his own right, and always gets right back to you."

Right now, part of the five-person board is replaced every two years. She'd like to see the whole board changed at one time in future elections.

"I think they should vote for all five members at once, and do the same for the city council. If you do it all at once, you know you're all going to be in for awhile, and you can get things done."

She calls the standardized student test scores "very important."

"Elkhorn, Westfield and River City (schools) disappointed me," she commented. "I think at Elkhorn the problem is the language barrier. At Westfield, I have to see what kind of shape they're in now since they've changed principals. What I suggest we do for test scores is (look at the contrast) with other schools, and call them and say, 'you guys got a superior score in language, what are you doing?' You compare what all these schools have done, and what we're doing, and take the best of the ideas – make a master list and see if it works for a year."

Mendez she "doesn't know exactly what (the teachers) want" in their salary dispute with the Washington Unified School District administration, but "I know that there are teachers who are barely making it. I would have to see the particulars, but I am for union wages at least comparable to Sacramento."

Mendez was herself a "classified" school employee for five years, working as a campus monitor at River City High School and as an instructional aide at Westmore Oaks.

She also believes keeping the class size down is important.

"When my daughter went to River City, she said, 'Mom, I sit in the back of the class on the floor.' A lot of people take their kids to Delta High and other schools (instead of local ones) because the classes are smaller and you can get the grades up. If you can get 15 in a room instead of 30, of course you can work with them better."

Because of the required acreage, said Mendez, a new high school "has got to be built down south."

"I'm kind of resigned to that now," she added. "I would like to see two high schools, because we are growing. To go back to two middle schools and one high school wouldn't solve the problem. The kids from Bryte probably won't want to be bused out to the high school. Without knowing what the board has in the works, it is hard to say, but I would like two high schools in West Sacramento."

Mendez also believes West Sacramento should have more child care opportunities – including one large center "where we can take a couple of hundred kids, and which is run by well qualified people. But I don't see that as a school district issue, I see it as a partnership and community issue."

Mendez recalls days when she was more frequently a gadfly at school board meetings.

"If I see a good fight, I've got to get in it," she joked. "I guess that's why I'm running."

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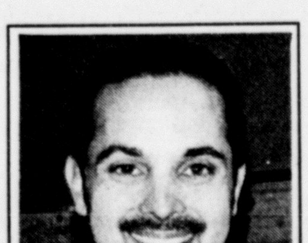
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OPINION

Letters to the Editor

In support of bilingual education

Having fairly recently moved to California, I am surprised and disappointed by the letter to the editor regarding bilingual education. Bilingual education brought me to this state to study for my teaching credential after I graduated Magna Cum Laude from a private, non-denominational liberal arts college in English literature. Contrary to the erroneous assumption of Ms. Baelfyr, I consider myself fairly proficient in English.

My parents always encouraged their children to become fluent in another language because they believe it is an essential skill for a 21st century employee to develop. In fact, the Montana country school at which I was educated now offers Spanish beginning in the fourth grade. I wonder how a "progressive" state such as California can fail to prepare their children for a world economy. Surely we must realize that, as important as English is, all companies and industries need bilingual employees. This is one of the goals of bilingual programs -- to provide tomorrow's economy with highly qualified, highly proficient bilingual candidates. We do not underestimate our students believing they cannot learn English, we challenge them and expect them to learn two.

We as teachers who ourselves are bilingual realize it takes time to develop the level of proficiency that reflects on standardized tests, but this does not mean it is an impossible or invalid endeavor. The fact is that Westfield has many issues affecting its test scores. Perhaps the most obvious is the turn-over at the school as qualified teachers leave the district in droves for higher pay and better benefits received by our colleagues in neighboring districts. I encourage Ms. Baelfyr to drop by my classroom and get some first hand information instead of relying on hearsay. Perhaps she would also like to visit Elkhorn Elementary, another bilingual school in the district, which made more significant improvements in test scores than any other school in the district and was recognized by the Sacramento Bee.

I also found disturbing Ms. Baelfry's labeling of the bilingual program as discriminatory when she failed to address the questionable homogeneous linguistic demographic of all English-speaking classrooms throughout the district. Is it only just to group children into a classroom based on their language if they speak English? Frankly, the only truly racist element illuminated in Ms. Baelfry's letter was her inexcusable ignorance about who petitions WUSD to provide bilingual education. Spanish teachers (I can only assume Ms. Baelfyr means bilingual, not knowing one teacher of Spanish descent on our staff) do not gather up all of our followers to force bilingual education onto the district. The parents of our students want bilingual education and that is why it exists at Elkhorn and Westfield. Insinuating that our parents cannot think and mobilize on their own, with the same ferocious good-intentions as English-speaking parents is grossly patronizing and ignorant.

I challenge Ms. Baelfry to get in touch will "all" her neighbors and trust them to know how to best raise their children, lest this right be reserved for her only.

JANA EDWARD
West Sacramento

In support of Measure L

The Sacramento Bee editorial (Sept. 25) seems to suggest that the problems at the Port of Sacramento stem from "its governing board dominated by elected officials from the other side of the river". Now that's some pretty nice geographic finger-pointing! It seems, at least to the Bee, that if the port's governing board all lived in West Sacramento that the economy of the port would improve. Actually, the port management (it's executive director) and the port labor management frequently announce that they are proud residents of West Sacramento. But, unfortunately, living here doesn't seem the answer to cure what the Bee calls the port's "lackluster performance".

The Bee's editorial is a clear example of wrong-thinking. It's plainly wrong to link a successful Measure L with a negative impact on the port. Anyone who has read Measure L knows that none of the port's current operation is affected by the measure. What Measure L brings is local control of the port property by the city that hosts it.

As for the port's management and lackluster performance, that has nothing to do with zoning and nothing to do with Measure L.

I support Measure L and urge my neighbors and friends to love my city, too. Let's work cooperatively on the real issues and bring better zoning to West Sacramento.

JEFF MORAES
West Sacramento

In support of Carolyn Castillo Pierson

I've known city council candidate Carolyn Castillo Pierson for about 35 years. We grew up and attended school together in West Sacramento. As a teenager I admired Carolyn's natural abilities to disagree with an issue without offending others and for standing up for her values and beliefs, even in the face of criticism and peer pressure. Later, as adults, I watched Carolyn raise her two children while continuing her education, beginning and advancing in her career, purchasing a home, volunteering in the community, and generally improving her life and that of her family. I've always been impressed by her motivation and dedication to whatever she was working on. These natural attributes continued to grow within Carolyn and she has become an independent, honest, open-minded individual with a strong sense of family and community.

In addition to her experience as a professional administrator, Carolyn brings willingness, courage, strong core principals and the ability to problem-solve. Her level-headed enthusiasm to serve the needs of our city will have an extremely positive effect should she be elected to city council.

To quote Donald A. Adams, "To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity." This is exactly what we will get by electing Carolyn Castillo Pierson to serve on our city council.

VALERIE STRANGE-CANTU
West Sacramento

Remembering Vince Frugoli

The Community Day Parade was wonderful! You could feel the love and pride in our community. Thank you West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, and thank you, Mark Johannessen, for a job well done.

I really like Mr. Johannessen, and I'm sure my old friend, Vince Frugoli, would have liked him, too. And when I saw Vince's daughter in the parade, with her car full of little ones and Mark Johannessen signs all over it, I felt good.

For those new residents who didn't get to meet and know Vince, he was an Italian immigrant who worked hard and loved West Sacramento. He also took on city hall and won. He was very proud of the present city council and would have been equally proud that our city is moving forward. He would have also smiled at me riding around a scooter in the parade, but he would have liked the fact that I was doing so in support of Mark Johannessen.

BILL RESENDEZ
West Sacramento

In support of Measure L

As one of the people who was 'surveyed' in our city by a phone bank company called S.W.A. in Sacramento, I was astounded by the questions asked and assumptions made and in particular the issue of one candidate's religion. However, the religious affiliations of other city council candidates or sitting council members, nor of any Indian tribe member, or member of the port commission or county supervi-

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News-Ledger Editorial

Sales tax: easy call

Measures J & K are designed to ask your permission on raising your local sales tax rate, making it equal to Sacramento's, and to ask your advice on how to spend the new money. Road repair, the library and recreation projects would be among the beneficiaries.

There is little opposition of any kind. Organizers tout the proposals as pretty much the only way to tackle local pothole problems and fund some of the city's other needs.

They also describe it as a net "tax cut" for West Sacramentans, as it will be countered by a reduction in certain taxes paid by property owners as well as the rates paid by all water-users.

Most homeowners and other landowners appear destined to come out ahead, tax-wise. Non-property owners (like renters) will come out a little behind, as they pay a little more in sales taxes but probably won't experience a trickle-down effect from taxes on the property they rent. Out-of-town people and businesses that shop here will pay more in taxes, experiencing little of the benefit except perhaps smoother roads to drive on when they visit.

The proposals may well not turn out to be a "goose with the golden eggs," but they do look like a good idea for West Sacramento.

Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name

The following person has abandoned the use of the Fictitious Business Name Kamon Japanese Restaurant, located at 129 E Street, Suite D-1, Davis CA 95616.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Yolo County on Nov. 28, 2000.

Hitomi Phan, 413 Grande Ave., Davis CA 95616.

This business was conducted by Husband and Wife.

/s/Phuong Van Phan
/s/Hitomi Phan
Oct 16 23 30 Nov 6

Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sept. 17, 2002 File No. 2002-750

The following person is doing business as Shambhala Training – Davis, 133 D Street, Suite H, Davis CA 95616: Megan A. Lawson, 2033 East Eighth St., Davis CA 95616; Peter Sharp, 8770 Saints Way, Sacramento, CA 95826.

This business is conducted by

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9-01-02.

/s/Megan A. Lawson

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the original document on file in this office. This certification is true as long as there are no alterations to the document, AND as long as the document is sealed with a red seal.

State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sep 17, 2002
by: /s/Cruz Nevarez-Ortiz, Deputy Clerk
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File No. 2002-753 FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person(s) is/are doing business as: HONDA FINANCIAL SERVICES, Al #951492, 700 Van Ness Avenue, Torrance, CA 90501

American Honda Finance Corporation, 700 Van Ness Avenue, Torrance, CA 90501

This business is conducted by a corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on May 1, 2002.

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

SIGNED: AMERICAN HONDA FINANCE CORPORATION, By: John I. Weisickle, V.P., Asst. Secretary

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Yolo County on September 17, 2002.

NOTICE-This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sep 4, 2002 File No. 2002-718

The following person is doing business as Sun Dome Builders, 515 North St., Woodland CA 95695:

Doug Vanderpool and Gayle Vanderpool, 515 North St., Woodland CA 95695.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/4/02.

/s/Doug Vanderpool

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sep 4, 2002
by: /s/Kim Weidenburg, Deputy Clerk
Sep 25 Oct 2 9 16

Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sept 11, 2002 File No. 2002-741

The following person is doing business as Yolo Smog, 374 W. Main St., Woodland CA 95695:

Isaac Khan & Akbal Khan, 5 Alameda Pl., Woodland CA 95695.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/11/02.

/s/Isaac & Akbal Khan

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County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sept. 11, 2002
by: /s/Allen Campos, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sept. 13, 2002 File No. 2002-745

The following person is doing business as KVRC Opportunity Program 215 University Ave., Davis CA 95616:

Richard David Carpenter and Kristina Marie Von Stieff, same address.

This business is conducted by co-partners.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/12/02.

/s/Kristina Von Stieff
/s/Richard David Carpenter

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sept. 13, 2002
by: /s/Allen Campos, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sept. 12, 2002 File No. 2002-744

The following person is doing business as Rancho Zamora, 33680 Co. Rd. 14A, Zamora, CA 95698:

Alex J. Long, PO Box 121, Zamora CA 95698.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on . Previous fictitious business name number 97-490.

/s/Alex J. Long

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sept 12, 2002
by: /s/Ava Woodard, Deputy Clerk
Sept 25 Oct 2 9 16

Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sep 6, 2002 File No. 2002-729

The following person is doing business as A.T.D.S.; Automatic Transmissions & Differential Services, 38520 Kentucky Ave., Woodland CA 95695:

James H. Windsor and Dianna L. Windsor, same address as above.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 7/8/02.

/s/James H. Windsor

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State of California
County of Yolo
Tony Bernhard, County Clerk
Date: Sep 6, 2002
by: /s/Kimberley Weisenburg, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Oct 4, 2002 File No. 2002-806

The following person is doing business as Forever Yours Flowers & Gifts, 1520 Merkley Ave., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Denise Stevens, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 1993.

/s/Denise Stevens

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State of California
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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Oct. 14, 2002 File No. 2002-840

The following person is doing business as Woodland Memorial Hospital; Woodland Healthcare, 1325 Cottonwood St., Woodland CA 95695:

Catholic Healthcare West, 10540 White Rock Road, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 12/31/01.

/s/William J. Hunt

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Date:Oct. 14, 2002
by: /s/Vikki Wittig, Deputy Clerk
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Fictitious Business Name Statement Filed Sep 23, 2002 File No. 2002-766

The following person is doing business as Hernandez Landscape & Maintenance, 603 Glide Ave. #18, West Sacramento CA 95691:

Juan A. Hernandez, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9-13-02.

/s/Juan A. Hernandez

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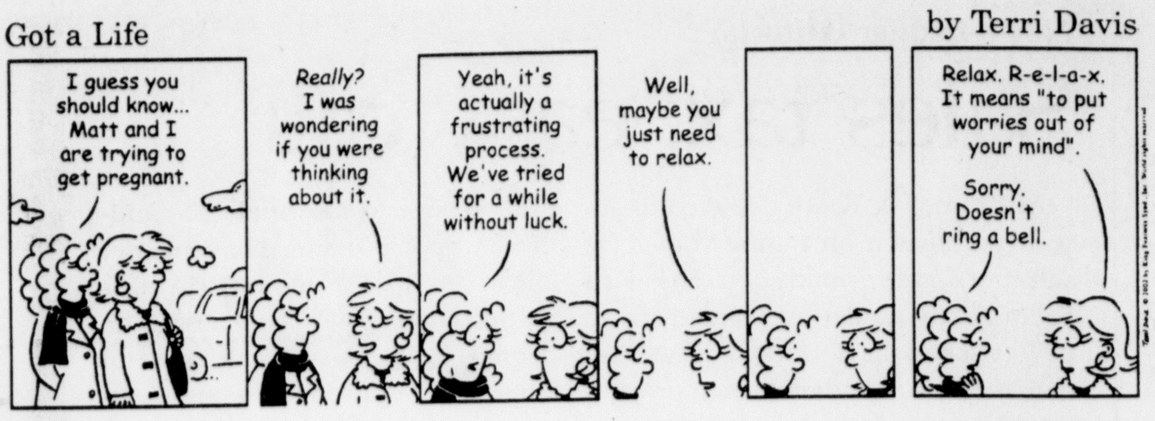
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—Ralph Waldo Emerson

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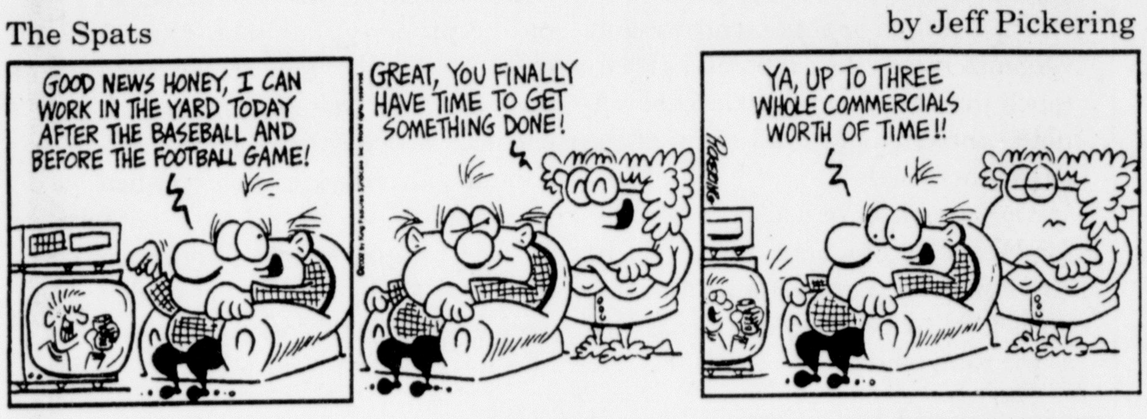
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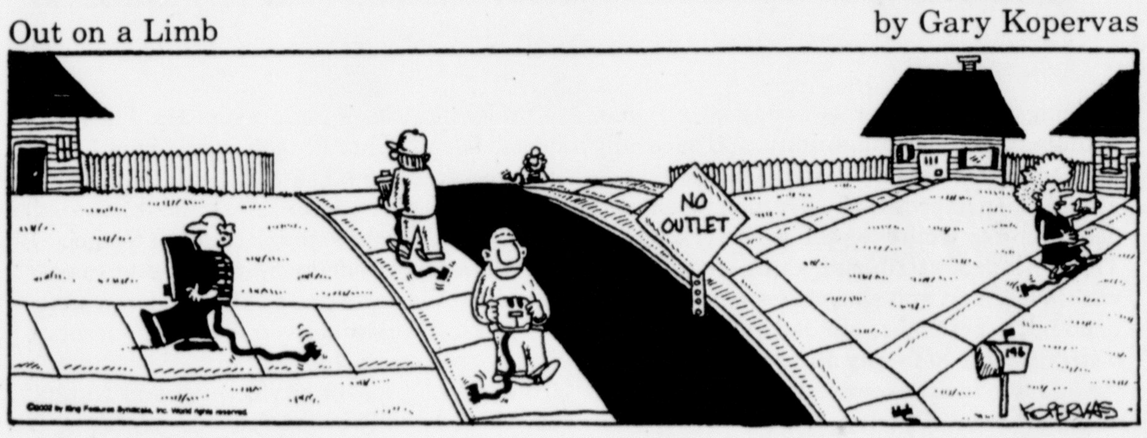
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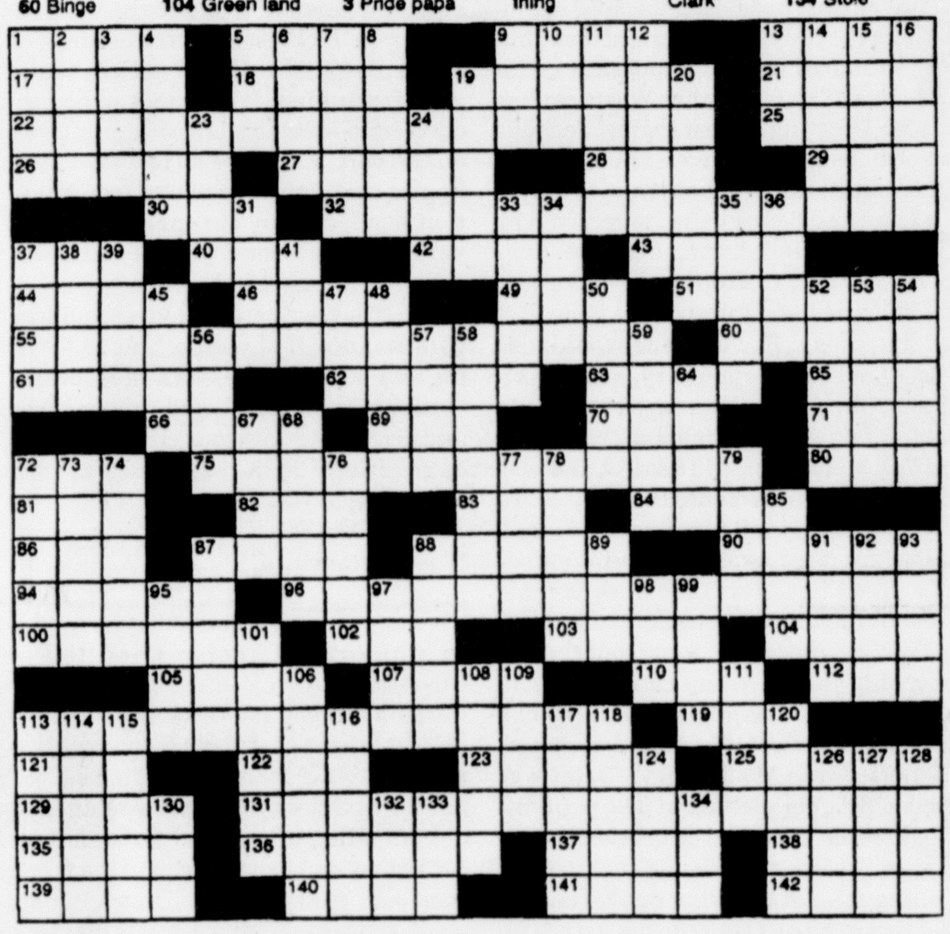




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28 English trio?
29 Self-esteem
30 Scientific site
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60 Binge
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71 Deface
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75 Cheesy clarinetist?
80 Sheridan or Sothern
81 Copy
82 Singer Tex
83 Tallahassee sch.
84 Baal or Elvis
86 Actress Tilly
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88 George Hamilton's ex
90 Chula —, CA
94 A Muse
96 Cheesy televangelist?
100 Swift stuff
102 Where flocks frolic
103 Go it alone
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105 Mississippi senator
107 Hellenic letters
110 Red cap
112 Actress Zadora
113 Cheesy basketball player?
119 Massage
121 Tempest — teapot
122 Mineral suffix
123 Throws down the gauntlet
125 Soprano Tetrazzini
129 Brink
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135 Is inexact
136 Sporting dog
137 Toast topper
138 "— Came Running" ('58 film)
139 Pub missile
140 Director Nicolas
141 Request
142 Baseball's Speaker

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12 Agile Olga
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14 Peace's partner
15 Custom
16 Mary of "The Maltese Falcon"
19 — de menthe
20 Just out
23 Final
24 Encircle
31 Cornice kin
33 Maintains
34 Comic Crosby
35 — shark
36 Defeat by a knockout
37 No gentlemen
38 A Four Corners state
39 A many-splendored thing
41 "Pshaw!"
45 The — Piper
47 Beer barrel
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50 Jamaican cultist
52 — ballerina
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54 Long for
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59 Campbell or Judd
64 Knight's quaff
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72 Maestro Levine
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74 Biblical repetition
76 Katmandu's country
77 Lofty initials?
78 Sahara sights
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89 From — Z
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92 Hatcher of "Lois & Clark"
93 Geometry calculation
95 Joust
97 Encounter
98 Landon or Kjellin
99 Johannesburg resident
101 Standards
106 Restrict Rover
108 Furniture wood
109 Railroad deps.
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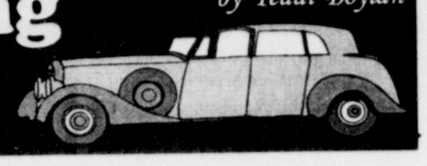
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DINING, TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

Touring with Teddi

by Teddi Boylan



Columnist Teddi Boylan brings you her recommendations of places to dine and places to visit in the greater West Sacramento area. Her travels include both stops at our advertisers' establishments and other institutions. Enjoy!

Many years ago, it was a fairly normal sight to see Kirt MacBride, the Sacramento Union columnist, bringing a fish into the Firehouse Restaurant to have it prepared and cooked for him as he sat at "his" table in the courtyard. Today, Rosie at the Westside Pub & Grill in West Sacramento says a number of fishermen now bring their catch to Jimmie, her chef, to cook it for them.

By the way, if you are planning on having a Christmas party for the office, you'd better book now. Rosie says her very popular restaurant is booking fast.

Every time I go to Raley's (my bank is there), I get a little more frostbitten.

I am constantly amazed that with all their employees and management, there are only two gals who say "good morning" and smile to make you feel welcome. Keep it up Jennifer and Norma (who previously worked for Safeway); people do notice. I prefer Safeway over Raley's just because their personnel are so welcoming and helpful. It does make a difference when you are spending your hard-earned money.

Another cheerful and helpful person in the building is Maribel, with Wells Fargo. She goes out of her way to see her customers get the best deal possible.

I was glad I took the time to stop in at Vince's Restaurant at lunch yesterday. I not only had a delicious lunch, but was introduced to Victor Talani's handsome brother, Mike. Vince's is always a place to get a smile and a very satisfying meal.

My friend Maryann and I had lunch at the 49er Travel Plaza the other day at noon in the Silver Skillet Restaurant. Sweet shades of Bill & Effie's truck stop in Verdi. Just as Bill & Effie's became the New Boomtown by catering to the truckers, so has the 49er Truck Stop evolved into the 49er Travel Plaza, a first-class operation. By offering showers and sleeping accommodations to their loyal truckers, they have accumulated a "fleet" of customers. Prosperity is evident in the amount of goods the travel store carries, as well as the big new building they are building to house a new restaurant, among other things.

Our waitress's name was Carmen, and both the food and service were most enjoyable. Breakfast is served all day long. Prices are very moderate, and they offer a great selection for every taste – Mexican, soups, salads, sandwiches, burgers, pasta, seafood and lots of specialties such as "The Big Rig" – a half-pound of beef on an onion roll with grilled onions and French fries for $7.29. The "Hungry Man Steak Platter, a 20-oz. porterhouse with potato, vegetables and soup or salad, goes for $13.95; the "Trucker's Treat" of steak and shrimp is $9.09 – with a T-bone steak, it's $10.09. Of course, if this is a little too much food, there is always the "Dieter's Delight" of chopped beefsteak tomato stuffed with cottage cheese or the chicken breast with peach halves stuffed with cottage cheese.

Speaking of "stuffed," I didn't have room for dessert. Displayed in a glass case were a banana split or turtle sundae. I forgot to mention that they also have data port telephones at every table so truckers can call home or call their boss. Take a trip up West El Camino Ave. and have some terrific food at the 49er Travel Plaza.

While talking with Patty Russell of the Brick Shot House, she introduced me to a most charming man, Adam Lueras. He and his brother Charles were the owners for a good many years of the Road House and the Lucky Lady, both very successful operations. They are both retired – our loss!

Doris and I stopped into Two Bears Steakhouse and Lounge last Saturday and met another pretty little bartender named Charmaine, but alas, she was not wearing her cowboy hat. I guess it's a little warm right now to wear it all day long, but they do look so cute.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Sept 24, 2002
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The following person is doing business as Cherry Glen Apartments Investors: Cherry Glen Apartments, 750 F St., Suite 2, Davis CA 95616:

Elmer McNece, Trustee, PO Box 1830, Davis CA 95617.

This business is conducted by a Limited Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 11/1/82. Previous Fictitious Business Name Number 97-755.

/s/Elmer McNece, Trustee

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Sept. 5, 2002
File No. 2002-726

The following person is doing business as Moshi Moshi Japanese Sushi Restaurant, 2120 Cowell Blvd., Ste 143, Davis CA 95616:

Stacey Li and Kevin Cheng, 2609 Nevelson Ct., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Husband and Wife.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/5/02.

/s/Stacey Li

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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File No. 2002-776

The following person is doing business as San Jose Alhambra Meats, 3073 W. Capitol Ave., West Sac. 95691:

Armando Estevez, 2980 Kathy Cir., W. Sac. CA 95691; Jose Cuevas, 2826 Leslie Ln., W. Sac. CA 95691.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/20/02. Previous fictitious business name number 97-490.

/s/Armando Estevez & Jose Cuevas

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The following person is doing business as Davis Motorsports, 720 Olive Dr., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by Jeff Holgate, 5104 Hamel, Davis CA 95616.

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/s/Jeff Holgate

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
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File No. 2002-722

The following person is doing business as Rural Community Insurance Services, 823 4th St., Davis CA 95616:

Rural Community Insurance Agency, Inc., 3501 Thurston Avenue, MAC# N9215-011, Anoka, MN 55303.

This business is conducted by a Corporation.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 7/22/1996.

/s/Marlene C. Merten, Licensing Officer
Rural Community Insurance Agency

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Oct 2-23

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YOLO
In the Matter of SABRENA CHEREE ANDERSON, Minor.
No. JV-99-00110
CITATION

TO: All persons claiming to be the father of the above named minor.

YOU ARE HEREBY CITED AND REQUIRED TO APPEAR at a hearing in Yolo County Juvenile Court, located at 725 Court Street, Woodland, California, 95695, on December 4, 2002 at 9:00 a.m. in Department 4. At the hearing, the Court will decide whether to permanently terminate your parental rights over the above-named minor born to Wendy Hope Herlihy now Wendy Anderson on February 28, 1999. If you wish to be representated by an attorney and are unable to afford one, the Court will provide an attorney to represent you.

Dated: 9-18-02
Donna M. Petre
JUDGE OF THE JUVENILE COURT

Oct 2-23

Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Oct 4, 2002
File No. 2002-803

The following person is doing business as Latino's Garage Door, 602 Walnut St., West Sacramento CA 95691:

Noel M. Robles, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/1/02.

/s/Noel M. Robles

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Oct 1, 2002
File No. 2002-788

The following person is doing business as Massage Therapy Institute; Massage Therapy Institute in Davis; 424 F St. #B, Davis CA 95616:

Julie Stentzel, 735 Valencia Ave., Davis CA 95616.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/1998.

/s/Julie Stentzel

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Fictitious Business Name Statement
Filed Sep 10, 2002
File No. 2002-734

The following person is doing business as American Home Crafters, 8188 Scottsdale Dr., Sacramento CA 95828:

Steven Walter Richardson, same address.

This business is conducted by an Individual.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 9/1/02.

/s/Steven Richardson

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NOTICE TO ADOPT A NEGATIVE DECLARATION

A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for the BP (formerly ARCO) Conditional Use Permit 02-02 in West Sacramento. This Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared to address the potential environmental impacts of a rail loading facility for ethanol delivery to the existing bulk petroleum fuel storage and distribution facility at 1601 and 1700 South River Road. The Mitigated Negative Declaration concludes that with the implementation of recommended mitigation measures, there will be no significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Copies of the Mitigated Negative Declaration are on file in the office of the West Sacramento Community Development Department at 1951 South River Road, West Sacramento, CA 95691 (telephone: 916/373-5854).

Any affected or interested parties may appear at the November 7, 2002 Planning Commission meeting and comment on the Mitigated Negative Declaration and/or the proposed project. If you challenge the project in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of West Sacramento at, or prior to, the public hearing.

The West Sacramento Planning Commission will consider adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration on November 7, 2002 in the City Council chambers located at 1350 Halyard Drive, West Sacramento, CA, 95691 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

Oct 9

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If you haven't struck oil in the first three minutes—stop boring.
—George Jessel on public speaking

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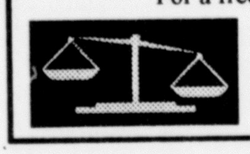


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LETTERS from page seven

sors was questioned. After the survey I asked who was paying for the survey and the phone operator said she didn't know. I asked for the phone supervisor who said she couldn't tell me, and when I pressed the matter, she hung up.

The Sacramento Bee spilled the beans on the surveys (they said three took place) and their sponsors were the ILWU in San Francisco, the consortium of industrial and residential builders and the Indians from Lake County. No one locally. When county supervisor Mike McGowan was asked by the Bee about the religious question, he said those questions were "unfortunate." Well, what would be the adjective he would use should his own religious persuasion be questioned?

The 24 union employees are mad as hell with residents who live in all the new homes which the city council and planning commission promoted and allowed to be built, and indeed the building is going ahead full-tilt. Union members called on their parent union to come to their aid and, as a result, all those "No on L" signs are here courtesy of the ILWU in San Francisco. Still, union members who work on call at the port are worried about their future. But who allowed all those houses to be put up for all the new residents? Answer, the city council and planning commission. And the people in all those houses, and all other residents here don't want to suffer from dirty industrial planning.

Join me in voting "Yes on L" for some common-sense long-term general planning. Let's clean up West Sacramento and make it a better place for all of us.

MICHAEL P.GARTEN
West Sacramento

Against Measure L

The citizens of West Sacramento voted to become a city and elected five citizens to our city council in a democratic way. As a longtime resident and business owner, I would say we have done a great job! The Port of Sacramento was a joint effort of Yolo/Sacramento counties and the citizens of West Sacramento. It brought jobs to our area and gave our agriculture a boost by shipping rice, grain, wood chips, logs, and other commodities. It also helped with the west-side levee bordering the Yolo Bypass, giving our city added flood protection. It doesn't just belong to West Sacramento. Yolo and Sacramento counties also pay from their tax bills a portion to the port.

It would have been great if they would have build the proper bridges to service the Southport area. Since they didn't, the city created a framework plan that took a long time to complete. Once completed, the city declared no more building in the Southport area until a new bridge was built. Since taxing the citizens of West Sacramento to build the bridge wouldn't work, the larger property owners placed a lien on their properties and paid a $1,000 per acre to help finance the project. There still wasn't enough money collected, so our congressman, Vic Fazio, secured the rest of the funds needed from the U.S. Congress. The bridge was built, named after Daniel Palamedessi, and it allowed for industrial growth and the building of new homes.

I speak for myself when I say that the future value of this port will increase, not just in the next ten years, but even more significantly during the next 100 years. As long as the port is used for industrial purposes, importing and exporting, all of Northern California will prosper. And by do so, we will have the federal government's assistance in maintaining our port and levees.

We elect our city council and depend on their commitment to do the right thing, along with many other federal, state, and county laws to protect our city. We don't need a few power seeking individuals to change our way of life and lose our city's tax base. Many of our citizens would love to have jobs here in our city. Vote "no" on Measure L and for the candidates of your choice. We will be a premier city, but it's up to you!

LOU ARGES
West Sacramento

Lawn signs disappearing

At some time during the night of Friday, October 11th, someone, for whatever reason, stole, took away, and disappeared with a political sign from my front lawn. As I live on a cul-de-sac in Southport, it might have been a juvenile prank, but a similar sign was also stolen from two other lawns in the same cul-de-sac.

The sign was a "Yes on L" sign. Another sign on my lawn, and on the lawns of my neighbors, was a "Goddard for City Council" sign, which was left in place in both instances. This is more than coincidence.

I don't know who is responsible for these thefts. Will anyone step up and admit this nuisance and childish behavior in our small community? In driving through our city I notice that all the ILWU signs have not been molested. How about some fair play?

WAYNE R. DUNCAN
West Sacramento

In support of Johannessen and Goddard

Yes on Measure L! No on Measure L! No matter how you feel, no matter how long you've lived in West Sacramento, no matter which area you live in the city, no matter if you're a longshoreman, or no matter if you're the chairman of the board for Nordstroms, you have an opinion concerning this ballot measure.

One candidate for the two seats up for election is a maverick, tying his candidacy to the passage of the controversial measure. The other three all have stated their opposition to the measure and seem to be running either on their popularity, vast endorsements, or being a new comer with no pacific ax to grind.

So, what should we do? How should we vote? I wouldn't be so daring as to suggest you vote one way or the other. But let me give my decisions and the reasons for those decisions on how my ballot will be marked (and thank goodness we aren't living in Florida).

I will note "no" on Measure L. In total agreement with Hope Herr (EEK!), we should "not cut off our nose to spite our face". However, I believe that for a different reason. Ballot legislation is not good. We should keep our options open for future considerations. The city council should control the future zoning of our city. We control that future by those we elect into office. No, we don't want big smelly smoke stacks polluting our skyline, but we do want to be able to have the option of having "light industrial" employees being able to locate in our midst. Passage of Measure L would tie the hands of future city council members.

Having said that, I will vote for Kimber Goddard. He will be a fresh voice in the here-to-fore "good old boy" governing body of our city. He certainly is not another state or county employee who believes the way to solve all ills on a municipality is to simply raise taxes.

I will not vote for Christopher Cabaldon. Our twice-elected mayor (as he claimed in his book *Smart Choices for California* has not earned his re-election. His recent run for the California State Assembly is reason enough for me to believe his interests are not here in our city, but to a higher level of government service. And, if he takes credit for Raley Field being located here, he must also take credit for the thousands of dollars the city spent for legal fees in the dispute over the cost of police protection services for events held at that facility. If he takes credit for the bicycle resting spot between here and Davis, he must also take credit for the sad shape of disrepair of our sidewalks and roads.

I cannot vote for Carolyn Castillo Pierson in part because of those that endorse her candidacy. Most everyone that has served on previous city councils feels she should be elected. She is also endorsed by various political action organizations in a bipartisan election. She holds fundraisers outside the City of West Sacramento instead of giving local businesses patronage. That tells me enough. We don't need the same thinking and actions of another state employee with a spend and tax mentality.

I will vote for Mark Johannessen with high hopes he will eventually take a stand instead of skirting issues trying to appeal to the mass electorate. At least he is a new fresh voice.

It is indeed time to take a stand for the direction the City of West Sacramento. But try to think outside the box. Don't be caught in a trap of one line thinking. There are ways to make our city the place we would like it to be without closing future growth and alternatives.

JOHN CURTIS
West Sacramento

Some questions for the port

As a taxpayer, I would like more detail as to why the Port of Sacramento continues to be in bad financial shape. Over the years, they swing from relatively small profits to small losses.

I understand the Port of Sacramento lost a lot of exporting (wood chips and rice) to the Port of Stockton, where the big cement outfit (where they were to do all of that concrete work to rebuild the San Francisco Bay Bridge) decided to construct their new cement plant, rather than in West Sac, where it would have been too close to existing homes and a school. Residents, school kids and staff did not deserve that unhealthy cement dust.

Seems like the port's books should be examined to determine: (1) How much of port's salaries, wages, and benefits go to administration employees vs. those who do the physical labor: loading and unloading?; (2) How much of port's income is from real estate buying and selling vs. traditional port shipping and warehousing? (3) Longshoremen, et al fear loss of jobs due to computerization or other labor saving devices; therefore, port management up and down the Pacific Coast should be connecting with higher education to re-educate as many of those folks as practical who face job loss from such modernization. The updating of labor skills is keeping up with the demand.

Approval of Measure L will rezone much of that port land (near homes and school) from industrial to commercial (business) and recreational. This would allow development for the Southport area that would in turn allow those folks to shop in their area, thus retaining local sales tax revenues, while attracting same from the outside, too.

I like this phrase: Compatible Adjacent Development. It makes sense and who would want air and noise pollution built close to their homes? We must buffer in between with neutral or absorbent development.

And which city candidate supports Measure L? Mr. Kimber Goddard does. Please vote for these two on November 5. (And my other choice for city council is incumbent Christopher Cabaldon).

WILLIAM A. LOWELL
West Sacramento

Let the voters decide

On September 17, at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors meeting in Woodland, port chairman and member of the county board from the first district, Michael McGowan, a strident opponent of any general plan changes, following presentations by Yolo County analyst John Clark, port director John Sulpizo and Measure L proponent Derek Backus (who he interrupted several times until the chair admonished him) went on a vicious eleven minute tirade, blaming the people of Southport, residents of his town, of all manner of things.

McGowan, famous for his short fuse, gave vent to such a childish hissy-fit that other board members were embarrassed and taken aback, as were spectators of this juvenile display. For grammar, his attack rated, at best a C-minus, and as rhetoric, a D.

McGowan is local to West Sacramento, and a longtime resident of Park Boulevard. He was exposed to Civics 101 at Marshall High School at the same time as my children, and should remember some civil history. Fact: both Henry VIII and his daughter, the first Elizabeth, "owned" England; Remember, *"This Sceptered Isle"*? And across the channel the fourteenth Louis also "owned" France, and even bragged "L'Etat c'est Moi!" But Americans don't care for kings or barons as we are each and every one equal in law and fact. No one "owns" us and no one "owns" West Sacramento.

We very well remember having gone through a similar situation regarding zoning when in 1990 a bucket-shop was set up on Merkley Avenue, paid by developers and speculators both local and foreign to kill (but only by a 44-vote margin) Measure B, which sought to make corrections to the general plan for our area. Watching the tape of McGowan attacking Measure L is perplexing and a reminder that his 1960s thinking hasn't changed.

The mantra of "a well-established general plan" is being voiced at various times and by various people, including the supervisors' meeting. What bunk! Our general plan and the redevelopment area were outlined and dictated to us by former Yolo County Executive Gene Roh and local industrial developers. When Roh came to us from Woodland to be our first city manager, he came with all kinds of goofy plans. Some of his adherents from Woodland are still on our city payroll, even though they don't live here.

Local residents begged and pleaded before the election to make our area an incorporated city, to let the citizens here decide about area planning and redevelopment areas which a local commission had been studying for some years, but Roh insisted we were too unsophisticated to make any such decisions for ourselves and so made plans for us poor stupid people who had long been referred to in Woodland as 'River Rats'. So when Roh arrived with bundles of renderings for his new empire, his grand plans soon foundered with his inept and clumsy handling. He finally had to be gotten rid of, to everyone's relief.

It behooves every elected and appointed person in government to serve their constituents. To disapprove of vote initiatives might seem normal to those who have considered our area their personal playground. But the people must have a chance to vote on their sought-after changes.

Is it a time for a change in long-range planning? Why not let the voters decide.

REV. JAMES K. GRAHAM
San Jose

New books at library

From Elise McCallan
Arthur F. Turner Branch Library

The Arthur F. Turner Branch Library has received the following new books:

"Leadership," by Rudolph W. Giuliani.

"Making Peace with the Things in Your Life: Why Your Papers, Books, Clothes, and Other Possessions Keep Overwhelming You - And What To Do About It," by Cindy Glovinsky.

"For Which It Stands: An Anecdotal Biography of the American Flag," by Michael Corcoran.

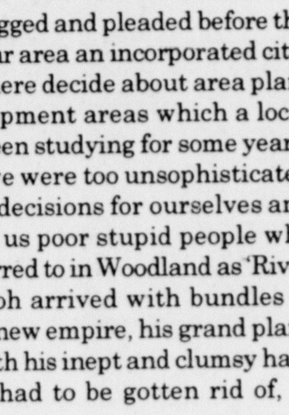
"The Two Faces of Islam: The House of Sa'ud From Tradition to Terror," by Stephen Schwartz.

"Pickled, Potted, and Canned: How the Art and Science of Food Preserving Changed the World," by Sue Shephard.

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Local Scene

Demos' bean feed

The Yolo County Democratic Central Committee announces its annual "bean feed" on Sat., Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Center, 203 E. 14th St. in Davis. Individual tickets are $25. Call (530) 759-2232.

Rodland

School board candidate Claudia Rodland invites the public to discuss school issues at a meeting 6:30-8 p.m. on Mon., Oct. 29 at the Trinity Presbyterian Church's fellowship hall, 1500 Park Blvd.

Job fair

Twenty employers will collect applications from job seekers at a job fair Tues., Oct. 22, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Yolo County One-Stop Career Center, 25 N. Cottonwood St. in Woodland. The event is free. Job seekers are invited to "dress for success, bring copies of their resumes and be ready to tell employers about themselves." Blue Shield, the state Dept. of Corrections, California Indian Manpower Consortium and other employers will be present.

'Miles for Meals'

Join other supporters of Yolo County's Elderly Nutrition Program in a 'Miles for Meals' walkathon from 8-10 a.m. on Sat., Nov. 2, at County Fair Mall in Woodland. Enjoy live music, food and prizes while raising money for the program that provides lunchtime meals to homebound seniors. Channel 13's Dewey Hopper will be Master of Ceremonies. With a minimum pledge of $20, receive a T-shirt. Call (530) 662-7035.

Rabies shots for dogs

The Yolo Co. Dept. of Health and a local veterinarian are combining to offer low-cost rabies vaccinations for dogs at nine locations in October. Cost is $4, and dogs must be on a leash. Vaccinations are mandatory. First shot is good for one year, and follow-ups are good for three years. Call (530) 666-8646.

VFW breakfast

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 on Drever Street in West Sacramento is sponsoring a breakfast from 9-11:30 a.m. on Nov. 10. Contact the post for details.

Rebuild playground

Community Lutheran Church invites community help, for a day or an hour, as the church rebuilds its playground damaged by a fallen oak last year. The project will be underway 9 a.m. on Oct. 26. Call 371-8804.

Lincoln Highway marker

The Lincoln Highway Association will install a concrete highway marker near the west end of West Capitol Ave. and the Shell station in West Sacramento at 2 p.m. on Oct. 19. Boy Scout Troop 66 of Davis will do the project as one of several old Lincoln Highway markers. The West Sacramento Historical Society has commissioned four such markers to replace four that have been lost. The public is invited to attend the marker installation.

Fish fry & dancing

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8762 will play host to a "fish fry and big band dance" beginning at 6 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 25. $7 includes food and dancing. Call 371-7245 for more information.

Crab feed

The Alzheimers Aid Society will host a crab feed in memory of West Sacramentan Joey Lopes, at the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 1817 12th Street in Sacramento, beginning at 6 p.m. on Sat., Nov. 9. There will be music and dancing following the 6 p.m. cocktail hour and 7 p.m. dinner. Raffle prize donations welcome. Call 371-3549.

Art guild

The West Sacramento Art Guild will meet Tues., Oct. 29, from 2-4 p.m. at 1510 Merkley Ave., Suite B. Guild members and the general public are all invited. Call 371-3744 for information.

Health award

The Salud Clinic Advisory Board is seeking nominations for the annual "John Siden Award," created to honor outstanding service by an individual to the health and welfare of West Sacramento. For more information, contact Celestino "Mo" Mojica at 375-6340.

Candidates' night

Soroptimist International of West Sacramento will host a forum for candidates running for school board or city council in West Sacramento. The forum will be held at 7 p.m. on Tues., Oct. 22, at city hall, 1350 Halyard Drive. Candidates will be given a few minutes to speak, and will be asked to answer a few written questions from the public. Call 371-7678 or 424-3832 (after 5 p.m.) for information.

Christmas baskets

The West Sacramento Christmas Basket Project is gearing up for its 2002 season. The organization provides a holiday food basket for low-income families in West Sacramento. Volunteers are needed during November and December. Please call 373-1744 or 372-3360; if you do not reach someone, please leave a message with your name and number. The next meeting will be Oct. 9 at Community Lutheran Church.

Craft faire

The Holy Cross Altar Society will hold a Holiday Craft Faire on Sun., Nov. 17, and is looking for crafters. For information or to rent a spot, call 372-2875.

RCHS senior parents

River City High School will host a senior parent night from 6:30-7:30 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 23 at the library. Representatives from the community college, UC and CSU university systems will speak about their admission requirements.

'On the Go'

The annual "West Sacramento On the Go" event is planned for Thurs., Oct. 17 from 8:30-2:30, beginning with registration and continental breakfast at the ziggurat building (former Money Store building near the Tower Bridge). There will be a city toyr following, as well as a trade show and luncheon with keynote address. $65 per person, $500 per table of ten seats. Contact the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce at 371-7042.

History & art

The West Sacramento Historical Society and River Valley Art Center have been granted 18 months to come up with a final plan for reuse of the former Washington Firehouse on Third Street in Broderick, West Sacramento. Project member invite funding help from the public and from interested corporate sponsors. Call 372-5117.

Youth commission

The City of West Sacramento is accepting applications from those interested on serving on the city 'youth commission' for the 2002-03 year. The seven-member commission advises the city council on issues affecting local youth. It meets on the third Monday of every month. Applicants must be West Sacramento residents in junior high or high school. Call 373-5860.

Interfaith 'clean-up'

The public is invited to help with the second annual West Sacramento Interfaith Gathering "clean-up" from 9-11 a.m. on Sat., Oct. 26. Volunteers will meet at the Center for Spiritual Awareness, 1020 W. Capitol Ave., and pick up litter on West Capitol Ave. Call 371-8804 for information.

Castillo-Pierson

The public is invited to a "carnitas, entertainment and raffle" fundraiser for city council candidate Carolyn Castillo Pierson on Sun., Oct. 20, from 4-7 p.m. at the I.L.W.U. Hall, 600 Fourth Street. Tickets are $10 (children under five are free). Call 373-9692 for more information.

Food give-away

The Food Bank of Yolo County will distribute food to eligible West Sacramento and Clarksburg residents on Oct. 26 from 8-10 a.m. at the county building on Jefferson; from 8:30-9:30 at the Sam Combs Activity Center; and from 10-11 a.m. at the Clarksburg Firehouse. Please bring a bag. For eligibility information and other information, call (530) 758-6821.

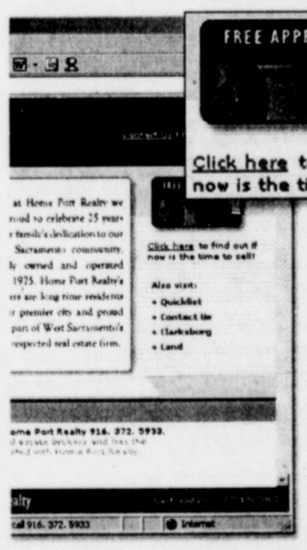
Businesses & crime

The West Sacramento Police Department announces a "business watch" meeting for crime prevention at 3 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Margaret McDowell Manor, 1525 Merkley Ave. (please park on the street). Business owners and staff are invited to discuss crime reduction in work environments. RSVP to Nora McDowell, 372-2461 ext. 279.

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Events around the region

Iris society meets

A panel of experienced iris gardeners with the Sacramento Iris Society will discuss various methods of raising irises in home gardens on October 21st at 7 pm at Shepard Garden & Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Boulevard in Sacramento. For more information call 929-4385.

Arts & crafts gift show

Crocker Art Museum's Annual Holiday Arts and Crafts Gift Show will he held on November 23-24 at the museum, 216 O Street in downtown Sacramento. All proceeds go to the museum and area artists. The show will include ceramics and pottery, handmade jewelry, original works of art, ornaments, cards, and much more. For more information, call 264-5423.

German genealogy society meets

The October meeting of the Sacramento German Genealogy Society will be held on October 22nd at 1 pm at St. Mark's United Methodist Church on Lusk Drive at St. Mark's Way in Sacramento. The speaker will be Roger P. Minert, a student of German family history for 35 years. For more information, call 782-5704.

Elder abuse walk

The Sacramento Elder Walk 2002, a 3K walk sponsored by a coalition of private agencies and volunteers concerned about elder abuse, will take place inside Arden Fair Mall from 8-10 am on Saturday, November 2nd. Entry fee is $25 per walker and will include refreshments and a T-shirt. For more information, call 874-3183.

Acorn Day

Traditional acorn cooking will be on display on October 19th at the State Indian Museum, 2618 K Street in Sacramento, located adjacent to Sutter's Fort. If you ever wondered how California Indians prepared acorns for eating, now is your chance to find out. Call 324-0971 for more information.

Peace rally and concert

There will be a free rally and peace concert on October 19th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Waterfront Park (at L and Front streets) in Old Sacramento. For more information, call 448-7157.

Alzheimer aid society meets

The Sacramento Chapter of the Northern California Alzheimer's Support Group will meet on Friday, November 8th, at 3 pm at the Senior Center, Redwood Room West, 915 27th Street in Sacramento. For information on other related meetings, call 448-7001.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for the Sacramento Crisis Nursery's Parent Support Line. If you have the time to listen and help parents in need, contact Rachel Fuller, Volunteer Coordinator, at 394-2002. Training will be held in October.

Grapes of Wrath images

The Crocker Art Museum will host a special exhibition from September 20th to December 1st (consisting of photographs of migratory farm workers taken during the 1930s) to commemorate the centennial anniversary of the birth of John Steinbeck. For more information, visit the Museum's web site at www.crockerartmuseum.org. or call 264-5423.

Hearst Castle tours

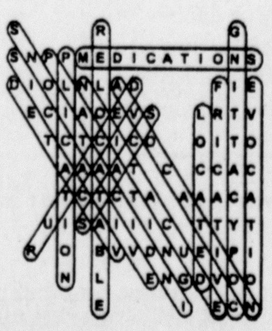
On September 7th, the Hearst Castle Evening Tour program begins a new season. Visitors to the castle will experience a "Living History Program" that features docents in elegant vintage clothing and a tour of the grounds. For more information, call 800-444-4445.

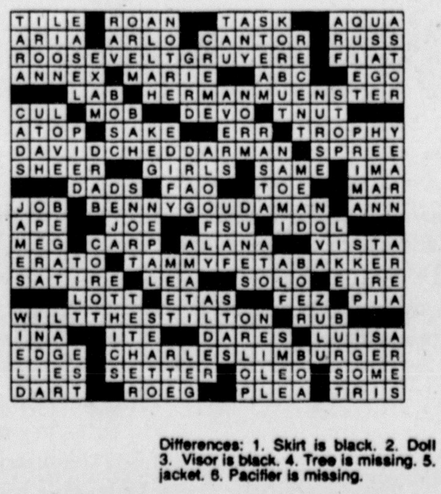
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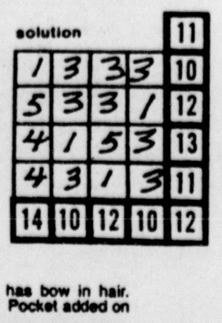
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1. Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig (1927, 1931), Mickey Mantle and Roger Maris (1961) and Rafael Palmeiro and Alex Rodriguez (2001).
2. Trevor Hoffman of the San Diego Padres (1998-2001).
3. Tennessee had three appearances; Florida two.
4. It was 1991.
5. In 1986, as the Hartford Whalers, the franchise swept Quebec in three games.
6. Frank Borghi in 1950.
7. True. Ali beat Chuck Wepner by TKO in 15 rounds at the Richfield Coliseum.

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